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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,675,255

AL German OS 42 25 592

AM United Kingdom Application 2 265 986

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Reference AA corresponds to German PS 195 270 20, which was identified and discussed at page 3 of the present specification.

Reference AL was identified and discussed at page 2 of the present application. An English translation of Reference AL is not readily available to the Applicants, however, the statements in the specification constitute a summary of its teachings.

Reference AM was cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office during examination of the German application corresponding to the present United States application. Since Reference AL is in English, no further commentary concerning its teachings is necessary.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the present application, and is thus in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and therefore no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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